

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

September 1, 2018) to: Pastor John Hein; 460 75th Ave NE; Fridley, MN 55432, email: john.p.hein@gmail.com.

MOWING: Even with our new automower (Bruce), there is still need for some mowing and trimming. Please sign up for a shorter service of work each week. Thanks!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are in need of one more man to help conduct the liturgy or read the sermon for Sunday, Oct. 14th. Pastor Bernthal will be at the Man-Up retreat doing a presentation with his brother on Christian Manhood. Please see Pastor if you would like to help.

BENEVOLENCE: The Church Council voted to send \$500 to the Go Fund Me program for Elinor Gbedey. \$250 came from reserve fund from the past and \$250 from this year's Benevolence Fund. If you would like to help reimburse this fund, please do so. Mark your offering Benevolence Fund. If you would like to give to the Go Fund Me program, please go to: https://www.gofundme.com/ma.gbedey-down-in-cape-town?pc=em_co_shareflow_m&rcid=r0l-153313825239-bbff0872bc5346f4

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church and School is a confessional Lutheran Church.

We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more, please call Pastor Bernthal at **608-233-2244** or **e-mail** him at mbern@juno.com

More Information and Audio Sermons at www.peacethruchrist.org



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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost • September 2, 2018

Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 66

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Communion Liturgy, Lutheran Hymnal, p. 15

Opening Hymn:	36
Before Sermon:	400
Offering:	789 (1, 3, 5)
During Distribution:	313/312
After Benediction:	569 (2-3, 6, 8, 9)

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 95:1-7a Whether we ask God for something or thank Him for what He has given us, we ought to recognize exactly who our God is. The beginning portion of this Psalm lets us know that God is not just a man who sits in the clouds, but is rather the almighty Author of the entire universe. Besides creating the beautiful earth we live on, He also maintains everything in it, especially us, His children.

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. 2 Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us

shout joyfully to Him with psalms. 3 For the Lord is the great God, And the great King above all gods. 4 In His hand are the deep places of the earth; The heights of the hills are His also. 5 The sea is His, for He made it; And His hands formed the dry land. 6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. 7 For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand. Today, if you will hear His voice:

Romans 8:18-27 Sometimes God doesn't give us exactly what we ask for, or even gives us something entirely different. Sometimes God's plan for our lives is something painful, sad, or frustrating. The apostle Paul lets us know that none of these temporary difficulties mean much of anything when we know that heaven is waiting for us because of what Jesus accomplished for us on the cross. On top of that, He tells us that the Holy Spirit knows our hearts better than we do. That means that even if there are things we want that we can't remember or put into words, God does still know about all of them.

18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. 19 For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. 20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; 21 because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. 22 For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. 23 Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. 24 For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance. 26 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. 27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

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SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS: Bible Class begins next Sunday before church. We will be studying the topic of prayer and then go into an in depth study of the Lord's Prayer. Other topics for this year will be, Lord willing, "Agents of Grace: The People in David's Life and Yours" and a study of Paul's letter to the Galatians.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY/ CHURCH PICNIC: Next Sunday! Make it a point to be here for this special day. Please bring a meat to grill and a dish to pass. Please sign the sheet in the entry-way if you are planning on staying for this. Anyone interested in helping to co-ordinate activities for that day please contact Pastor Bernthal or Matt Schaser.

CLC NEWS:

- Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer has accepted the call to Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights MN.
- Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, has called Pastor James Naumann, pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran, Jamestown ND. Pastor Naumann has returned this call.

CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS: Are available on the table by the mailboxes.

COMMENTS FOR ILC

PROFESSOR CALL: The Board of Regents announces the following nominations to fill the professorship vacated by the impending retirement of Professor Paul Schaller at the end of the 2018-19 academic year: Teacher Neil Bernthal, Pastor Timothy Daub, Pastor Wayne Eichstadt, Mr. Michael Naumann, Mr. Karl Olmanson, Mr. Peter Reim, Dr. Daniel Schierenbeck, Mr. Stephen Sydow, Pastor Mark Tiefel, and Pastor Mark Weis. The position would require the ability to teach in a variety of areas, which may include courses in English (high school and college) and history (high school, college, and possibly seminary). This person may potentially serve as the Dean of Students, one who counsels and disciplines students on campus. All comments from members of CLC congregations regarding these candidates are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight September 15, 2018 (letters postmarked

PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We thank the Lord for your presence with us this morning. We pray that God's Word this morning leads you to see His great gift of forgiveness, life and salvation. For these great gifts we receive through Jesus, we give our God praise and thanks. We invite you to come and worship your Savior with us again. Please also sign our guest register.

This Week:

Today

Sunday School Teacher's Meet

Monday Labor Day

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Artisan

Wednesday 9-11:30 a.m. Children's Play Group
7:00 p.m. Bible Class

Thursday 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

Next Sunday:

9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Family Worship
11:15 a.m. Rally Day/Church Picnic

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: A. Franson/
Williams B. Schaser/Schaser

Counters today: Matt Schaser &
Gail Schaefer

ATTENDANCE: 8/26: 45

OFFERINGS 8/26 for Unified
Budget: \$1,391

IN YOUR MAILBOX:

September Calendar &
Newsletter,

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:

Please meet with Pastor after church today.

DEVIL'S LAKE PICNIC:

We will be going to Devil's Lake tomorrow, leaving around 10:30 going to the South Picnic area. Anyone who would like to join us (Pastor, Ruth and Vicar Nick) are welcome. Bring a meat to grill, dish to pass, lawn chairs and any outdoor games you may have.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS:

Our first Wednesday evening Bible Class is this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. We continue our study of the Minor Prophets. We will be discussing the historical events that took place before the last three prophets wrote. Come learn with us!

Sermonette Text: **Luke 17:11-19**

Please and Thank You!

I: Ask God for Anything.

II: Thank Him for what He Gives you.

11 Now it happened as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. 12 Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. 13 And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" 14 So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. 15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, 16 and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. 17 So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? 18 Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

HOLY COMMUNION: The Lord's Supper is being celebrated this morning. We encourage all of our members to attend this meal of forgiveness from our Savior. Since it is a confession of oneness in faith and doctrine, we ask that only members of Peace Thru Christ or of a sister congregation in the CLC come forward to partake of the Lord's Supper. If you have any questions concerning this practice called "Close Communion," please see Pastor Bernthal. Thank you.

